# 1998-99 District Composite Report

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The passage of the Children First Act in 1988 ushered in a new era of data collection, analysis, and reporting about the overall quality and condition of education in Louisiana. Implemented in 1990, this major piece of legislation mandated the publication of the *Progress Profiles (School Report Cards, District Composite Report,* and the *State Report)* with three main objectives: (1) to provide information about schools to parents and the general public, (2) to provide a basis for educational planning, and (3) to increase educational accountability at all levels.

The Children First Act through its *Progress Profiles* program also became the impetus toward the introduction of the statewide school accountability system, which was implemented in fall of 1999. As a result, the *Progress Profiles* have turned into an important mechanism for disseminating information on the status and performance of public education in the state of Louisiana.

The Progress Profiles program is administered by the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE), Office of Management and Finance, Division of Planning, Analysis and Information Resources. This program was founded on the premise that educational improvement is most successful when parents, school staff, and policymakers have access to accurate information on a wide range of factors believed to influence student learning. The indicators included in the *Progress Profiles* were carefully selected because they

- have been demonstrated through school effectiveness research to be related to student learning;
- represent key features of schooling that can be influenced by parents, school staff, and policymakers, and thus are useful for school improvement purposes; and
- yield the maximum amount of accurate and essential information possible without posing undue reporting burdens at either the school or district level.

To offer the most comprehensive overview possible and serve the specific needs of varied audiences, the Department of Education has provided three levels of reporting.

- 1. School Report Cards are tailored to the needs of parents and the general public. In September 1999, the first edition of the accountability reports were issued for 1,188 public schools with grades in the K-8 range, which included elementary, middle/junior high, and combination schools statewide. Copies of the report cards were delivered to the principals for distribution to all parents.
- 2. District Composite Reports are produced for all 66 Louisiana public school districts. The most detailed and comprehensive of the three levels of reporting, these reports offer local and state-level policymakers longitudinal data on all indicators including the accountability performance results.
- 3. The *Louisiana State Education Progress Report* is best suited to the needs of the general reader because it provides a succinct overview of the major characteristics of Louisiana education based on accountability results and other findings.

"Any effort to improve schools must be designed to meet the goal of creating an active, thinking curriculum in specific disciplines, and success should be judged by whether increasing numbers of students reach agreed-upon performance standards."

—Bill Honig

Phi Delta Kappan, June 1994

### Purpose of the District Composite Report

The purpose of the *District Composite Report* is to provide information relevant to the condition of education in Louisiana. This report provides detailed longitudinal information on various indicators as well as analyses of data where feasible. It serves as an effective tool to aid policymakers and district administrators in identifying opportunities for school improvement.

### **Organization of this Report**

This report is organized into five parts, each encompassing a series of related educational indicators.

- Part 1. District Summary. The summary tables in this section offer district-level information for all indicators including the school accountability results. In addition to quick-reference tables on various indicators, district socioeconomic and demographic data and financial information are also included to give a more complete picture of Louisiana school districts. School performance is influenced by community socioeconomic characteristics and by the level of local financial support for public education. Part 1, therefore, presents parish (as opposed to district) demographic and socioeconomic indicators ranging from household income distribution and teen pregnancy rate to district revenue, expenditures, and average teacher salaries. District summary tables of all Profile indicators also are provided in Part 1.
- Part 2. School Characteristics and Accountability Information. The context within which students are educated and the level of educational resources available to them impact learning and performance results. Part 2 provides a quick summary of each school's accountability results (i.e., school performance score, school performance category, and two year growth target). This section also focuses on key educational "inputs" and resources at the school level: i.e., the size of the student body and faculty, the school's category (e.g., elementary schools, middle schools, etc.), class sizes, and the academic preparation of faculty.

- Part 3. Student Participation. For students to receive an education, they must first have the opportunity to learn; thus, the extent to which students are present and actively engaged in schooling is of vital importance (Oakes, 1989). Part 3 presents three indicators that provide some measure of student participation: attendance, suspensions/expulsions, and dropouts.
- Part 4. Student Achievement. Part 4 reports three types of school-level outputs: student performance on (1) reading level evaluation results for grades 2 and 3, which assess students' ability to read and comprehend on grade level; (2) criterionreferenced tests (CRTs), which measure students' performance on state-prescribed curricula; and (3) norm-referenced tests (NRTs), which indicate how Louisiana students compare with other students nationally. The Reading Level Evaluation Results are based on Louisiana's new Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA), which is a uniform examination used statewide for the first time in the 1998-99 school year. The CRT results reported for grades 4 and 8 are based on Louisiana's new criterion-referenced testing program (LEAP for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century) implemented in the spring of 1999. The Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), designed for high school students, is administered in grades 10 and 11. The NRT results, which are also part of LEAP, reflect student performance utilizing two tests: (1) The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS), which is administered for grade 3, 5, 6, and 7; and (2) The Iowa Tests of Educational Development (ITED), which is administered for grade 9.
- Part 5. College Readiness. One goal of elementary-secondary schooling is to ensure that those students seeking an advanced education are adequately prepared for college. This report presents two indicators of college readiness: (1) student performance on the American College Test (ACT), a national test commonly used for college placement purposes; and (2) the percentage of high school graduates who take remedial courses as first-time college freshmen.

A brief narrative, organized as follows, introduces each indicator presented in this report:

- an introduction to the indicator and its significance in the study and/or promotion of student learning;
- a description of how data are organized in the accompanying table(s);
- definitions of key terms, where applicable;
- formulas/equations used to calculate statistics, where applicable; and
- the source(s) of the data presented.

A glossary at the end of this report provides operational definitions for key terms.

#### **School Accountability System**

The school accountability system was implemented in the fall of 1999, with an initial focus on schools containing grade levels kindergarten through eighth (K-8). This phase of the accountability system encompassed 1,188 public schools out of a total of 1,507. The accountability program examined each school's progress based on statewide testing programs (LEAP 21 and *The Iowa Tests*) and on school attendance and dropout data.

School Performance Scores (SPS) were calculated for all 1,188 schools using the 1998-99 test data with the 1997-98 attendance and dropout data. SPS for each school is a weighted composite index, using 60% weight for the LEAP 21 tests, 30% weight for *The Iowa Tests*, and a total of 10% for the attendance and dropout results.

Based on its SPS, each school was assigned a performance category, as described on the following table. An SPS of 100 indicates that a school has reached the State's 10-year goal, while a score of 150 indicates achievement of the 20-year goal.

Once the SPS for each accountability school was calculated, a two-year Growth Target was set, defining the minimum expected growth that a school must achieve in order to be on track for meeting the State's 10-year goal.

### **School Performance Category Assignment**

School Performance Category	SPS Range
School of Academic Excellence	150.0 or Above
School of Academic Distinction	125.0 – 149.9
School of Academic Achievement	100.0 – 124.9
Academically Above Average	69.4 – 99.9
Academically Below Average	30.1 – 69.3
Academically Unacceptable School	30 or Below

### **School Categorization**

Category comparison statistics are presented by district and for the state as a whole for those indicators that are not reported by grade level; these include class size, attendance, suspension, and expulsion. This homogeneous grouping of schools by level of instruction fosters probably the fairest comparisons; however, district and statewide comparison statistics also are provided.

The 1,507 Louisiana public schools have been placed into one of four categories:

- *elementary*—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-8 range, which excludes grades in the 9-12 range, and which does not fit the definition for middle/junior high.
- *middle/junior high*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 4-9 range, which includes grades 7 or 8, and which excludes grades in the K-3 and 10-12 ranges.
- *high*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 6-12 range and includes grades in the 10-12 range, or any school that contains only grade 9.
- combination—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-12 range and which is not described by any of the above definitions. These schools generally contain some grades in the K-6 range and some grades in the 9-12 range.

Examples would include grade structures such as K-12; K-3, 9-12; and 4-6, 9-12.

### **Demographic Indicators Associated With Educational Attainment**

Research has shown that demographic and socioeconomic variables affect student achievement. An analysis of the background characteristics of the student population places the school performance indicators in their broader context and helps shed light on the degree of difficulty that certain school districts or states experience in educating their particular student populations. In other words, inclusion of the demographic indicators in Part 1 provides a context for interpretation of the outcomes.

The *District Composite Report* presents the following socioeconomic and demographic information at the parish (not district), state and national levels:

- education attainment,
- labor force breakdown.
- unemployment rate,
- per capita income,
- household income distribution,
- population by race,
- single parent households,
- all persons living below the poverty level, and
- teen pregnancy rate.

The data are supplied by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, and University of Louisiana at Monroe, Center for Business and Economic Research.

#### **District Financial Overview**

There are many factors which contribute to the overall profile of a school district. Financial information is one of the vital factors which are part of that profile. Inclusion of this information in Part 1 helps the reader understand how a public school district functions, and it provides additional context for the interpretation of educational indicators.

### Longitudinal Analysis: Tracking School Progress Over Time

By law, the Progress Profiles Program is required to present six years of data (the current year and the five previous years). These longitudinal school-level data are presented in the *District Composite Report*. Each year, the *Composite Reports* are updated by adding the most current year's data and deleting the data that are more than six years old. The *School Report Cards* and the *Louisiana State Education Progress Report*, on the other hand, present only the most current year of data so that parents and policymakers who want a very concise and current snapshot of education performance need not wade through voluminous amounts of information.

Incorporating longitudinal data in the *District Composite Report* enables policy makers to anticipate changes in educational outcomes, not just describe them (Smith, 1988). However, longitudinal reporting does complicate the presentation of data. To assist policy makers in interpreting data, tables in the *District Composite Report* have been formatted as follows:

- 1. Cross-sectional data (i.e., for any given year) are presented vertically in columns. School-to-school comparisons can be made within any given year by scanning up and down columns.
- 2. Longitudinal data are presented horizontally in rows. An individual school's progress on any single variable can be charted over time by scanning left-to-right across columns.
- 3. Schools are listed in *sequential order*, based on school site code and school category.

#### 1998-99 As Baseline Year

1998-99 has become a new baseline year for several reasons. First it was the year when the first phase of the newly established school accountability system went into effect and each public school with a grade in the K-8 range received a performance score and a performance label. Secondly, the newly designed criterion-referenced testing program (LEAP 21) went into effect for students in grades 4 and 8. And finally, *The Iowa Tests*, the newly adopted norm-referenced tests, were administered for the first time at grades 3, 5, and 7. For these reasons, this report starts with the 1998-99 school year as its first year. The profiles data for the prior years are still accessible through the 1997-98 *District Composite Report*.

To facilitate longitudinal and cross indicator tracking of individual schools, the LDE has included in all the tables the six digit site code assigned to all public schools. In instances for which certain data may not available for a school, the tilde symbol (~) will be displayed.

#### The Challenge: Accurate and Reliable Reporting

Measurement is a process involving both theoretical as well as empirical considerations. Most assuredly, research based on the inadequate measurement of indicators does not result in a greater understanding of the particular indicator (Carmines and Zeller, 1979). Though it is widely recognized that the best educational policy is made when officials have access to accurate information, the use of inaccurate or unreliable data is more dangerous than no information at all. Recognizing this possibility for misunderstanding, the LDE has made every effort to ensure the reliability and validity of the data reported on the *Progress Profiles*. Toward that end, LDE and district staff examine each indicator through a meticulous data correction and verification process.

The Progress Profiles Program has grown substantially over the past several years. The LDE has executed an elaborate process for data verification and analyses to ensure that quality is an intrinsic part of each *Progress Profiles* report.

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# Part 1. District Summary

Parish Socioeconomic And Demographic Overview	1-1
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The socioeconomic and demographic composition of the parish may shed light on household situations and thus the educational system of a school district. Issues such as income, poverty rate, single parent households, and teen pregnancy affect family function, which is strongly linked to achievement. This section examines state- and national-level information for each parish's socioeconomic and demographic indicator presented.

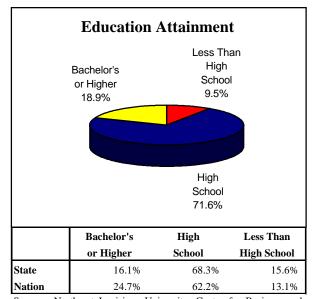
#### **Definitions**

- *Education Attainment*—is divided into three levels:
  - 1. <u>Less than high school degree</u>: includes persons of compulsory school attendance age or above who are not enrolled in school and are not high school graduates.
  - 2. <u>High school degree</u>: includes persons whose highest degree is a high school diploma or its equivalent and those who have attempted some college or have received an associate degree. Persons who completed the twelfth grade but did not receive a diploma are not included.
  - 3. <u>Bachelor's degree or higher</u>: includes persons who have received a college, university, or professional degree.
- Labor Force—is divided into four categories:
  - 1. White collar: includes persons with executive, administrative, and managerial occupations; professional specialty occupations; technicians and related support occupations; sales occupations; and administrative support occupations, including clerical.
  - 2. <u>Blue collar</u>: includes persons with precision production, craft, and repair occupations; transportation and material moving occupations; positions held by machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors; and positions held by handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers.
  - 3. <u>Service and Other</u>: includes persons with private household occupations, protective service occupations, and other service occupations.
  - 4. <u>Agriculture</u>: includes persons who perform farming, forestry, and fishing industry jobs.

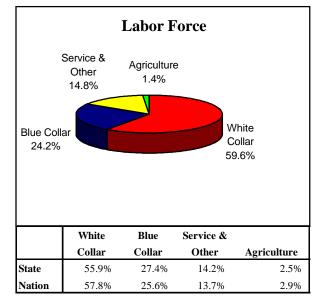
- Household Income Distribution—is divided into seven major groups. The annual income range begins with below \$15,000 and ends with \$100.000 and above.
- Population by Race—is divided into three major groups, white, black, and "other." The "other" category consists of Native Americans and Asian/Pacific Islanders. It should be noted that, according to the 1990 Bureau of Census data, Hispanic origin can be viewed as the ancestry, nationality group, lineage, or country of birth of the person or the person's parents or ancestors before their arrival in the United States. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race and are therefore included in the categories of white, black, and "other."
- *Single Parent Household Rate*—is the number of single parent households divided by the total number of households.
- Poverty Threshold—is revised to allow for changes in the cost of living as reflected in the Consumer Price Index. According to the 1990 Bureau of the Census data, the average poverty threshold for a family of four persons was \$12,674.
- *Teen Pregnancy Rate*—is the total number of teenage girls under the age of 19 divided by the total number of pregnant women.
- *Per capita income*—is the average income computed for every man, woman, and child in a particular group. The Census Bureau derived per capita income by dividing the total income of a particular group by the total population in that group (excluding patients or inmates in institutional quarters).
- *Unemployment rate*—is the total number of persons not working, who are available and seeking work, regardless of age, as a percentage of the civilian labor force. This figure is considered the official unemployment rate and is typically cited in comparisons.

### Ouachita Parish Socioeconomic and Demographic Overview

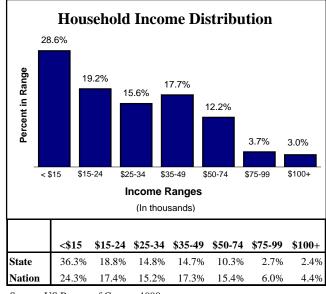
As each school district works toward its educational vision and goals, social and economic factors within the parish may directly or indirectly affect the educational experience of students. An overview of the relevant demographic and socioeconomic profile of each parish places the education indicator data presented in this report in the proper context. These data provide a socioeconomic and demographic profile of the parish as a whole, not the public school district. In preparing this section, every effort was made to obtain the most recent data available for each indicator.



Sources: Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and Economic Research and NCES, 1995.



Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990



Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Per Capita Income 1

Unemployment Rate 2

Population by Race	
Other	
0.9%	
Black 31.0%	
White	
68.1%	

	White	Black	Other		
State	67.3%	30.8%	1.9%		
Nation	83.9%	12.3%	3.8%		
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Poverty Level

| Parish | State | Nation |
| All Persons Living Below Poverty Level | 24.9% | 23.6% | 15.7%

Source: Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and Economic Research, 1993.

Single Parenthood				
	Parish	State	Nation	
Single Parent Households	19.9%	19.1%	14.8%	

Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Economic Research, 1996. 2) Bureau of Labor and Statistics, US Dept of Labor, 1996.
Teen Pregnancy

**Labor Related Statistics** 

Parish

\$19,621

6.2%

Sources: 1) Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and

State

\$19,709

6.6%

Nation

\$24,436

5.4%

Teen Pregnancy				
	Parish	State	Nation	
Teen Pregnancy Rate	21.0%	18.9%	12.9%	

Source: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, 1996.

Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Financial information broadens the understanding of how public school districts function and provides additional context for the interpretation of educational indicators. The two major components of the financial information are revenues and expenditures.

#### **Definitions**

- Revenues—governmental funds appropriated for public education. Revenues are received from four main sources:
  - Local: monies collected directly by a district through taxes (ad valorem, sales, and use taxes), bonds, revenues from other local government units, tuition, transportation fees, earnings of investments, food service, and community service.
  - 2. <u>State</u>: monies received from the state government through Louisiana's Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula, grants-in-aid, and specific programs such as the Early Childhood Program.
  - 3. <u>Federal</u>: monies received from the federal government through a variety of programs such as Title I, Impact Aid Fund, Reserve Officer Training Corps Program (ROTC), Headstart Programs, School Food Service, Adult Basic Education, and Special Education.
  - 4. <u>District revenues per pupil</u>: total revenues divided by the adjusted October 1 funded student membership.
- *Expenditures*—charges incurred, whether paid or unpaid, which benefit the current fiscal year. Total expenditures include the following categories:\*
  - 1. <u>Instructional Expenditures</u>: monies spent for classroom instruction, pupil support, and instructional staff support.

- 2. <u>Non-instructional expenditures</u>: monies spent for school administration, business services, operations and maintenance, transportation, food services, enterprises, and community services.
- 3. <u>Facility Acquisition & Construction Services</u>: monies spent for activities concerned with acquiring land and buildings, remodeling buildings, constructing buildings and additions to buildings, initially installing or extending service systems and other built-in equipment, and improving sites.
- 4. <u>District expenditures per pupil</u>: total expenditures minus debt service divided by the adjusted October 1 funded membership.

An additional item frequently of interest to the public is *average* salary of full-time teachers. Average salary calculations include full-time classroom teachers and librarians; special education teachers, aides, guidance counselors, and part-time teachers are not included. This information is different from *average* salary of full-time teachers, which is an average of all teachers' salaries in the district.

Note: Some districts' financial data may be adjusted after the publication of this report because of audits. The financial information in this section is based on the December 1, 1998, figures provided by the Office of Management and Finance, LDE.

<sup>\*</sup> Debt service and other long-term obligations are not included in expenditure figures because these monies provide services during multiple years and should not be attributed to only one year.

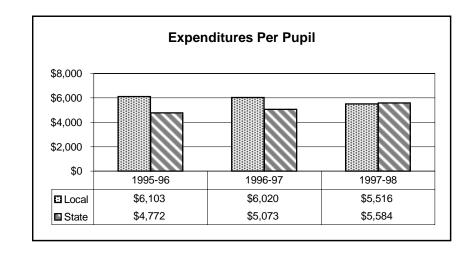
### Monroe City Financial Profile

	District Revenue by Source								
		1995-96			1996-97		1997-98		
Revenue		% of District	State		% of District	State		% of District	State
Source	Amount	Total	Average %	Amount	Total	Average %	Amount	Total	Average %
Local	\$23,470,371	42.6%	36.8%	\$22,704,076	40.2%	37.4%	\$22,410,678	38.4%	37.6%
State	\$23,412,451	42.5%	50.9%	\$25,557,701	45.3%	50.8%	\$27,245,240	46.7%	51.0%
Federal	\$8,229,999	14.9%	12.3%	\$8,212,621	14.5%	11.8%	\$8,731,349	15.0%	11.4%
Total	\$55,112,821	100.0%	100.0%	\$56,474,398	100.0%	100.0%	\$58,387,267	100.0%	100.0%

Adjusted October 1 Student Membership				
1995-96 1996-97 1997-98				
10,756	10,753	10,542		

Revenues Per Pupil					
	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98		
Local	\$5,124	\$5,252	\$5,539		
State Average	\$4,981	\$5,296	\$5,818		

	Teacher Salari	es
	Local Average	State Average
Year	Salary	Salary
1995-96	\$24,656	\$26,800
1996-97	\$28,986	\$29,025
1997-98	\$31,236	\$31,131



#### Notes:

- 1. District financial data may be adjusted as a result of audits conducted by the Louisiana Department of Education.
- 2. Percentages may not total to 100% due to rounding.
- 3. Revenue per pupil and operating expenditure per pupil are based on adjusted October 1 funded student membership.

### School Characteristics

			Schools in N	Monroe City	_	_		
	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04		
Schools in Monroe City								
Total Number of Schools	22							
October 1 Membership	10,701							
Number of Faculty	633							

					Accountabi	lity Re	esults			
	1998-99		1999	9-00	2000-01	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04
Schools by Performance Category	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number
School of Academic Excellence	0.0	0								
School of Academic Distinction	0.0	0								
School of Academic Achievement	6.3	1								
Academically Above Average	25.0	4								
Academically Below Average	68.8	11								
Academically Unacceptable School	0.0	0								
Number of Schools*	100.0	16								

<sup>\*</sup> For 1998-99, schools with grades K-8 were included in the accountability system.

		F	aculty	with a	Maste	r's De	gree or	Highe	er		
1998-99 1999-		9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	-03 2003-		
Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
49.13	311										

Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

School Characteristics

			Class	s Siz	ze Cha	racteri	stics fo	or Grac	les K-12		
	1998	-99	1999-	00	2000	<b>)-01</b>	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	lumber	Percent Nun	mber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
Class Size Characteristics for Grades K-12											
Elementary Schools											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	30.49	111									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	64.84	236									
Class Size Range 27 or more	4.67	17									
Middle/Jr. High Schools					1						
Class Size Range 1 - 20	43.70	156									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	46.22	165									
Class Size Range 27 or more	10.08	36									
High Schools											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	47.15	306									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	33.90	220									
Class Size Range 27 or more	18.95	123									
All Schools											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	41.82	573									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	45.33	621									
Class Size Range 27 or more	12.85	176									

Student Participation

		_	Student A	ttendance		
	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Percent of Student Attendance						
Elementary Schools	95.79					
Middle/Jr. High Schools	91.13					
High Schools	89.06					
All Schools	93.40					

### Student Participation

			Stud	dents Suspen	ded and Expe	elled	
	1998	3-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	Percent	Number	Percent Number				
Students Suspended and Expelled							
Elementary Schools							
Suspended (In School)	0.39	26					
Suspended (Out of School)	4.13	273					
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0					
Middle/Jr. High Schools							
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0					
Suspended (Out of School)	20.01	343					
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0					
Expelled (Out of School)	1.40	24					
High Schools						,	
Suspended (In School)	8.49	235					
Suspended (Out of School)	14.49	401					
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.07	2					
All Schools							
Suspended (In School)	2.33	261					
Suspended (Out of School)	9.10	1,017					
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	26					

### Student Achievement

			De	velopr	nental	Readir	ng Asso	essmer	nt Results	_	
	1998-99		1999	<b>-00</b>	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	3 200	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Numb	er Percen	Number
Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 02			_						<u> </u>		
Students Assessed		798									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	67.04	535									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	26.82	214									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	6.14	49									
Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 03			_								
Students Assessed		814									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	49.14	400									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	44.84	365									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	6.02	49									

		I	Percent	and N	umber	of Stu	dents	by Pro	ficienc	y Leve	el	
	199	8-99	1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent .	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts												
Advanced	1.3	10										
Proficient	9.3	73										
Basic	31.6	249										
Approaching Basic	29.2	230										
Unsatisfactory	28.7	226										

		I	Percent and N	Number of Stu	idents by Pro	ficiency Leve	el
	199	8-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	Percent	Number	Percent Number				
<b>LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics</b>							
Advanced	0.6	5					
<b>Proficient</b>	3.8	30					
<b>Basic</b>	20.6	163					
Approaching Basic	23.2	183					
Unsatisfactory	51.8	409					

Student Achievement

		F	Percent an	d N	umber	of Stu	dents	by Pro	ficienc	y Leve	e1	
	1998	<b>8-99</b>	1999-00		2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	2003	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent Nun	ıber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 English Language Arts												
Advanced	0.5	3										
Proficient	10.0	63										
Basic	24.8	156										
Approaching Basic	42.0	264										
Unsatisfactory	22.6	142										

		I	Percent	and N	umber	of Stu	dents	by Pro	ficienc	y Leve	1	
	1998	3-99	1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003	3-04
	Percent	Number										
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 Mathematics												
Advanced	1.6	10										
Proficient	4.8	30										
Basic	19.7	124										
Approaching Basic	18.6	117										
Unsatisfactory	55.3	347									1	

		Percen	t of Stud	ents	Passing GEF	E and N	lumbei	r of Students	Tested	
	199	8-99	1999-00		2000-01	2001-02		2002-03	2003-04	
	Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent									
Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results										
English Language Arts	79	359								
Mathematics	62	278								
Written Composition	88	388								
Science	70	316								
Social Studies	85	387								

### Student Achievement

Percent of Students by National Quartiles and Percentile Rank of Average Standard Scores for National Student Norms - The Iowa Tests 1998-99 | 1999-00 | 2000-01 | 2001-02 | 2002-03 | 2003-04 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 03 Fourth Quartile 8.8 Third Ouartile 19.3 Second Quartile 33.2 First Ouartile 38.8 Percentile Rank 35.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 05 Fourth Quartile 11.0 Third Ouartile 15.5 Second Quartile 35.8 First Quartile 37.7 Percentile Rank 38.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 06 Fourth Ouartile 9.8 Third Ouartile 21.5 Second Quartile 39.8 First Quartile 28.9 Percentile Rank 41.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 07 Fourth Quartile 8.8 Third Quartile 18.1 Second Quartile 32.4 First Quartile 40.6 Percentile Rank 36.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 09 Fourth Quartile 11.4 Third Quartile 19.2 Second Quartile 34.9 First Quartile 34.6 Percentile Rank 38.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents graduates from the previous school year

<sup>~ =</sup> Unavailable Data

### College Readiness

		Ameri	can College	Test (ACT) R	Results	
	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
ACT Average Composite Score	17.4					

	First-time College Freshmen Performance											
	199	8-99	1999	9-00	2000-01		200	1-02	2002	2-03	2003	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>	-	462										
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	45.67											-
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Courses	70.62	149										

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents graduates from the previous school year

<sup>~ =</sup> Unavailable Data

# Part 2. School Characteristics And Accountability Information

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**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	304					
	Number of Faculty	19					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	31.1					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	44.4					
065002	Carroll High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	710					
	Number of Faculty	44					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
065003	Carroll Junior High School						
	Grade Structure	7-8					
	October 1 Membership	374					
	Number of Faculty	42					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	42.3					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	53.7					
065004	Carver Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	506					
	Number of Faculty	23					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	37.1					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	49.5					

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<sup>\* 1 =</sup> School of Academic Excellence 2 = School of Academic Distinction

<sup>3 =</sup> School of Academic Achievement

**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	494					
	Number of Faculty	35					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	100.4					
	School Performance Category*	3					
	Two Year Growth Target	105.4					
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	348					
	Number of Faculty	18					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	57.2					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	65.6					
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	496					
	Number of Faculty	25					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	53.5					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	62.7					
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	506					
	Number of Faculty	32					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	81.9					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	86.9					

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<sup>4 =</sup> Academically Above Average 5 = Academically Below Average

**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School						
	Grade Structure	7-8					
	October 1 Membership	548					
	Number of Faculty	34					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	40.1					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	52.0					
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6,NG					
	October 1 Membership	677					
	Number of Faculty	33					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	36.7					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	49.0					
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School						
	Grade Structure	7-8					
	October 1 Membership	631					
	Number of Faculty	40					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	71.9					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	77.4					
065012	Lexington Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	548					
	Number of Faculty	29					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	89.7					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	94.7					

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**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065013	Lincoln Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	615					
	Number of Faculty	31					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	41.3					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	52.6					
065014	Neville High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	930					
	Number of Faculty	52					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	569					
	Number of Faculty	25					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	61.9					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	69.2					
065016	M. L. King Early Childhood Center						
	Grade Structure	PK,K					
	October 1 Membership	170					
	Number of Faculty	7					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					

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<sup>3 =</sup> School of Academic Achievement 6 = Academically Unacceptable School

**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	277					
	Number of Faculty	17					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	57.5					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	65.7					
065018	Wossman High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12,NG					
	October 1 Membership	931					
	Number of Faculty	58					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
065023	Monroe City Schools Alternative Center						
	Grade Structure	7-12					
	October 1 Membership	~					
	Number of Faculty	10					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	438					
	Number of Faculty	26					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	73.3					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	78.5					

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**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065025	Drop Out Recovery School						
	Grade Structure	NG					
	October 1 Membership	101					
	Number of Faculty	~					
	School Type	Combination					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	1-6					
	October 1 Membership	528					
	Number of Faculty	33					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	43.0					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	54.2					

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<sup>3 =</sup> School of Academic Achievement

<sup>4 =</sup> Academically Above Average 5 = Academically Below Average

**Table 1**School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Monroe City

	1998-99	199	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	200	3-04
Total Number of Schools	2	2								
October 1 Membership	10,70	1								
Number of Faculty	63	3								
ols by Performance Category	Percent Numb	er Percei	ıt Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
School of Academic Excellence	0.0	0								
School of Academic Distinction	0.0	0								
School of Academic Achievement	6.3	1								
Academically Above Average	25.0	4								
Academically Below Average	68.8 1	1								
Academically Unacceptable School	0.0	0								
Number of Schools*	100.0	6								
Total Number of Schools	1,50	7								
October 1 Membership	766,27	4								
Number of Faculty	49,29	8								
ols by Performance Category	Percent Numb	er Percei	ıt Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
School of Academic Excellence	0.1	1								
School of Academic Distinction	1.3	5								
School of Academic Achievement	7.9 9	4								
Academically Above Average	44.0 52	4								
Academically Below Average	42.0 50	0								
Academically Unacceptable School	4.8 5	7								
Number of Schools*	100.0 1,19	1								
	October 1 Membership Number of Faculty  ols by Performance Category  School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Distinction School of Academic Achievement Academically Above Average Academically Below Average Academically Unacceptable School Number of Schools*  Total Number of Schools October 1 Membership Number of Faculty  ols by Performance Category  School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Distinction School of Academic Achievement Academically Above Average Academically Below Average Academically Unacceptable School Number of Schools*	Total Number of Schools October 1 Membership Number of Faculty Ols by Performance Category School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Distinction School of Academic Achievement Academically Above Average Academically Below Average Academically Unacceptable School Number of Schools October 1 Membership Total Number of Faculty School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Achievement Academically Unacceptable School Number of Schools October 1 Membership School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Excellence School of Academic Distinction School of Academic Achievement Academically Above Average Academically Below Average Academically Below Average Academically Below Average Academically Below Average Academically Unacceptable School 4.8 55	Total Number of Schools	October 1 Membership   10,701   633   7   7   7   7   7   7   7   7   7						

<sup>\*</sup> For 1998-99, schools with grades K-8 were included in the accountability system.

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### Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

Perhaps the most vital educational resource available to students is the school faculty. One indicator of faculty preparation is the level of academic training the staff has completed.

### **Organization**

Table 2, Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher, presents the number and percent of faculty attaining a master's degree or higher. Data are presented for all faculty members in all schools in each district. Schools are presented in site code order. District and state totals are presented for comparison purposes.

#### **Data Presentation**

This report displays the percent of faculty with a master's degree or higher.

#### **Definition**

• Faculty—school-based instructional personnel. In addition to full-time classroom teachers, these individuals include principals,

assistant principals, guidance counselors, librarians, and other instructional staff (provided these individuals teach at least one class).

#### Method of Calculation

The formula used to compute the percentage of faculty who have a master's degree or higher is presented below. Itinerant staff members who are employed at multiple school sites are counted at each school in which they teach, but are counted only once in district and state percentages.

#### **Data Sources**

Site-based personnel—district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Profile of Educational Personnel* (PEP).

Faculty degree status—district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Profile of Educational Personnel* (PEP).

### Formula Used to Calculate Percent of Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

Percent of Faculty
with a Master's Degree = Number of Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher
or Higher 

Number of Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher
Total Number of Faculty at All Education Levels

**Table 2**Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

		1998-	99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent Ni	ımber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School	47.37	9									
065002	Carroll High School	52.27	23									
065003	Carroll Junior High School	52.38	22									
065004	Carver Elementary School	43.48	10									
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School	48.57	17									
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School	50.00	9									
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School	40.00	10									
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School	40.63	13									
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School	44.12	15									
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School	42.42	14									
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School	62.50	25									
065012	Lexington Elementary School	48.28	14									
065013	Lincoln Elementary School	48.39	15									
065014	Neville High School	55.77	29									
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School	44.00	11									
065016	M. L. King Early Childhood Center	57.14	4									
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School	35.29	6									
065018	Wossman High School	48.28	28									
065023	Monroe City Schools Alternative Center	40.00	4									
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School	69.23	18									
065025	Drop Out Recovery School	0.00	0									
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School	45.45	15									
District		49.13	311									
State		42.05 20	0,732									

Small classes generally allow more time for pupil-teacher interaction and therefore are instrumental in promoting student learning, especially at the lower elementary grades. In recognition of that fact, the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has set specific limits on the maximum size of classes at various grade levels (*Bulletin 741*). The maximum enrollment in grades K-3 is 26 students, while in grades 4-12 the maximum enrollment is 33 students. The limits do not apply to activity classes such as physical education, chorus, and band.

### Organization

Tables 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d (Class Size Characteristics for Elementary, Middle/Junior High, High, and Combination Schools, respectively) present the number and percentage of classes that fall within various class size ranges. Data are presented for all schools in each district, with schools presented by category and in site code order. District and state percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Since 1993-94, district and state percentages based on school category also have been provided.

#### **Data Presentation**

This report provides the 1998-99 class size information for grades K-12 by three ranges: 1-20, 21-26, and 27+. Category percentages are provided for comparison purposes.

#### **Definition**

• Class—a grouping of children under the primary supervision and instruction of an individual teacher for all or part of the instructional day, as reported for the purposes of the *Annual School Report* (ASR) and as identified by a specific ASR course code.

#### **Method of Calculation**

The following criterion was applied to *Annual School Report (ASR)* data to determine which classes should be included/excluded from the class size calculations:

• Activity classes (which have a maximum allowable student count greater than 33) are excluded because their inclusion in the computation would skew the results.

### Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Classes in Each of the Specific Class Size Ranges

Percent of Classes
in Specific Class Size Range = Number of Classes in Specific
Class Size Range
Total Number of Classes

\*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Classes in Elementary Schools in Specific Class Size Range | (Number of Classes in Elementary Schools in Specific Class Size Range / Total Number of Classes in Elementary Schools) X 100.

#### **Data Source**

District-reported data from the Annual School Report (ASR).

#### References

Franklin, B.J. and Glascock, C.H. (1994, November). School configuration: Which configuration is best? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association, Nashville, Tenn.

Louisiana Department of Education, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators (Bulletin 741)*, Baton Rouge, La.

LDE researchers have explored the relationship between school configuration and Report Card indicators related to student participation and testing. Middle school students perform significantly lower in grades 6 and 7 for all indicators than grades 6 and 7 students in elementary or combination (K-12) schools (Franklin and Glascock, 1994).

### **Table 3a: Class Size Characteristics**

		1998-	99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School								
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	56.25	9						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	43.75	7						
065004	Carver Elementary School					,	,		
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	15.79	3						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	73.68	14						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	10.53	2						
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School					,	,		
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	30.16	19						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	69.84	44						
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School					,	,		
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	56.25	9						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	43.75	7						
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School								
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	27.27	6						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	59.09	13						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	13.64	3						
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School								
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	68.18	15						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	31.82	7						
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School			<del>_</del>		,			
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	7.41	2						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	74.07	20						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	18.52	5						
065012	Lexington Elementary School			<del>,</del>		,			
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	18.18	4						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	77.27	17						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	4.55	1						
065013	Lincoln Elementary School			<del>_</del>		,			
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	17.86	5						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	75.00	21						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	7.14	2						
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School					,	,		
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	9.09	2						
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	77.27	17						
	Class Size Range 27 or more	13.64	3						

### **Table 3a: Class Size Characteristics**

	1998	1998-99 1		-00	2000	<b>)-01</b>	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	lumber	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065016 M. L. King Early Childhood Center											
Class Size Range 21 - 26	100.00	3									
065017 Georgia Tucker Elementary School											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	87.50	14									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	12.50	2									
065024 Cypress Point Elementary School											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	44.44	8									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	50.00	9									
Class Size Range 27 or more	5.56	1									
065026 Madison James Foster Elementary School											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	21.43	15									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	78.57	55									
District (Elementary Schools)									,		
Class Size Range 1 - 20	30.49	111									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	64.84	236									
Class Size Range 27 or more	4.67	17									
District (All Schools)									,		
Class Size Range 1 - 20	41.82	573									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	45.33	621									
Class Size Range 27 or more	12.85	176									
State (Elementary Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.48 1										
Class Size Range 21 - 26	50.38 1										
Class Size Range 27 or more	13.14	4,285									
State (All Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91 4										
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50 4										
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59 2	29,539									

### **Table 3b: Class Size Characteristics**

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998-9	99	1999-00	2000	<b>)-01</b>	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Nui	mber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065003 Carroll Junior High School										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	75.00	84								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	22.32	25								
Class Size Range 27 or more	2.68	3								
065009 Thomas Jefferson Junior High School										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	30.00	36								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	55.00	66								
Class Size Range 27 or more	15.00	18								
065011 Robert E. Lee Junior High School										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	28.80	36								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	59.20	74								
Class Size Range 27 or more	12.00	15								
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	43.70	156								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	46.22	165								
Class Size Range 27 or more	10.08	36								
District (All Schools)										
Class Size Range 1 - 20		573								
Class Size Range 21 - 26		621								
Class Size Range 27 or more	12.85	176								
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	29.78 9.	,								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	39.56 11.									
Class Size Range 27 or more	30.66 9.	,294								
State (All Schools)										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91 44.									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50 46									
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59 29	,539								

### **Table 3c: Class Size Characteristics**

# High Schools

	1998-	.99	1999-00	2000-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent Number	Percent Number	r Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065002 Carroll High School									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	53.37	103							
Class Size Range 21 - 26	32.12	62							
Class Size Range 27 or more	14.51	28							
065014 Neville High School									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	31.19	63							
Class Size Range 21 - 26	32.67	66							
Class Size Range 27 or more	36.14	73							
065018 Wossman High School									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	52.89	128							
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.02	92							
Class Size Range 27 or more	9.09	22							
065023 Monroe City Schools Alternative Center									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	12							
District (High Schools)									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	47.15	306							
Class Size Range 21 - 26	33.90	220							
Class Size Range 27 or more	18.95	123							
District (All Schools)									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	41.82	573							
Class Size Range 21 - 26	45.33	621							
Class Size Range 27 or more	12.85	176							
State (High Schools)						1			
Class Size Range 1 - 20	37.47 1								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	31.83 1								
Class Size Range 27 or more	30.71 1	5,144							
State (All Schools)									
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91 4								
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50 4								
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59 2	9,539							

# Part 3. Student Participation

Student Attendance	3-1
Students Suspended and Expelled	3-7

More than a decade ago, American schools were challenged by *A Nation at Risk* to do whatever necessary to reduce the amount of instructional time lost to absenteeism (Bennett, 1988). As educators have long recognized, occasional absences cause some learning disruption, but frequent student absences can severely reduce academic progress (Bamber, 1979).

The percent of student attendance reflects the percentage of time the average student is present within the total number of instructional days. Since 1993-94, attendance has been calculated to the nearest half day.

#### **Organization**

Tables 4a, 4b, 4c, and 4d, Student Attendance, present the percent of student attendance for each school in the district. District and state percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Schools are presented by category and in site code order.

#### **Data Presentation**

This report presents the percent of student attendance for the school, district, and state, based on the school category.

#### **Definitions**

- Aggregate days attendance—the total number of days that students are *present* at the school site over the course of the school year.
- Aggregate days membership—the total number of days that students are *enrolled* (but not necessarily *present* at the school site) over the course of the school year.

Of all the School Report Card indicators studied, student attendance yields the strongest positive relationship with average test scores. This finding is especially evident in secondary schools with higher attendance. These schools show a marked increase in the percentage of students passing the Graduation Exit Exam (Franklin and Crone, 1993).

• Day of attendance—effective with the 1992-93 school year, when a student "(1) is physically present at a school site or is participating in an authorized school activity and (2) is under the supervision of authorized personnel. This definition extends to students who are homebound, assigned to and participating in drug rehabilitation programs that contain a State-approved education component, or participating in school-authorized field trips." (Bulletin 741)

"Students who meet the above criteria and are present at the school site for 26-50 percent of the student's instructional day shall be credited with a half day of attendance. Those who meet the above criteria and are present for at least 51% of the student's instructional day are credited with a whole day of attendance. Students who are not physically present or who are participating for 25 percent or less of their instructional day will be considered absent for reporting purposes. Absences, whether excused or unexcused, shall be counted as an absence for reporting to the Department." (Bulletin 741)

The above definition was piloted for the 1992-93 school year and has been in effect statewide since the 1993-94 school year.

• *Percent of student attendance*—the ratio of aggregate days student attendance to aggregate days membership.

#### **Method of Calculation**

The formulas used in calculating percent of student attendance are presented on the following page.

Data Sources References

The attendance indicator is based on district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Student Information System* (SIS).

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#### Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Student Attendance

#### **School-level Aggregation**

#### **District-level Aggregation**

Percent of Student Attendance =  $\frac{Total Aggregate Days of Attendance for}{All Schools in the District} \times 100^*$  Total Aggregate Days of Membership for All Schools in the District

#### **State-level Aggregation**

Percent of Student Attendance =  $\frac{Total \, Aggregate \, Days \, of \, Attendance \, for}{All \, Schools \, in \, the \, State} \times 100^*$   $for \, All \, Schools \, in \, the \, State}$ 

\*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Student Attendance in Elementary Schools = (Aggregate Days of Attendance for All Elementary Schools / Aggregate Days of Membership for All Elementary Schools) X 100.

### **Table 4a: Percent of Student Attendance**

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065001 Lida Benton Elementary School	93.97					
065004 Carver Elementary School	95.87					
065005 J.S. Clark Elementary School	98.44					
065006 Barkdull Faulk Elementary School	95.07					
065007 Clara Hall Elementary School	97.28					
065008 Sallie Humble Elementary School	94.72					
065010 Berg Jones Elementary School	94.58					
065012 Lexington Elementary School	96.11					
065013 Lincoln Elementary School	95.28					
065015 Minnie Ruffin Elementary School	97.35					
065016 M. L. King Early Childhood Center	92.87					
065017 Georgia Tucker Elementary School	94.29					
065024 Cypress Point Elementary School	96.34					
065026 Madison James Foster Elementary School	95.58					
District (Elementary Schools)	95.79					
District (All Schools)	93.40					
State (Elementary Schools)	95.15					
State (All Schools)	93.53					

### **Table 4b: Percent of Student Attendance**

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065003 Carroll Junior High School	89.66					
065009 Thomas Jefferson Junior High School	90.43					
065011 Robert E. Lee Junior High School	92.67					
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)	91.13					
District (All Schools)	93.40					
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)	92.85					
State (All Schools)	93.53					

### **Table 4c: Percent of Student Attendance**

# High Schools

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065002 Carroll High School	88.15					
065014 Neville High School	90.84					
065018 Wossman High School	87.92					
District (High Schools)	89.06					
District (All Schools)	93.40					
State (High Schools)	90.87					
State (All Schools)	93.53					

Student suspension harms not only students by depriving them of valuable instruction, but also communities, the individual school, and school district (Garibaldi, 1978).

#### **Organization**

Tables 6a, 6b, 6c, and 6d, Students Suspended and Expelled, present the number and percent of students suspended and the number and percent of students expelled for each school in the district. Schools are listed by category and in site code order. District percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Since 1993-94, percentages based on the school category also have been provided for comparison purposes.

It should be pointed out that the "students suspended" number reflects the number of students at the school site who were suspended at least once during the school year. Because some students are suspended more than once over the course of the school year, the total incidence of suspension may be greater than the number reported here.

#### **Data Presentation**

This report presents the 1998-99 school-level number and percent of students suspended and expelled. Category statistics are provided at the district level for comparison purposes.

#### **Definitions**

- Cumulative Enrollment—the sum of all students enrolled in a school or district for at least one school day during the course of the school year, used as the denominator for calculating school-and district-level suspension and expulsion percents.
- *In-school Expulsion*—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a period of time specified by the LEA; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- In-school Suspension—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a minimum of one complete school day; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- Out-of-school Expulsion—the removal (exit) of a student from school for a determined number of days with no provision of instructional services.
- Out-of-school Suspension—a student temporarily prohibited from participating in his/her usual placement within school, with no provision of instructional service; only suspensions resulting in removal for at least one full day are included.

Schools which report comparatively high suspension rates tend to serve more low-income students than those which report low suspension rates. Suspension rates tend to be higher among large schools. Middle schools and secondary schools report higher suspension rates than schools with other grade configurations. Finally, class enrollments are larger in high-suspension schools (Kennedy, 1993). This research is further supported by Franklin and Glascock (1994), who found that suspension rates are significantly higher in middle schools than in elementary or combination (K-12) schools.

#### **Method of Calculation**

Suspensions and expulsions are calculated for students enrolled in grades K-12. The formulas listed at the bottom of this page were used to calculate the desired school- and district-level percentages for each school category, as well as district-level percentages for all schools.

#### **Data Sources**

The suspension and expulsion indicators are based on district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Student Information System* (SIS).

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#### Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Students Suspended, Expelled

#### **School-level Aggregation**

$$Percent of Students Suspended = \frac{Number of Students Suspended}{Cumulative Enrollment} \times 100$$

$$Percent of Students Expelled = \frac{Number of Students Expelled}{Cumulative Enrollment} \times 100$$

#### **District-level Aggregation**

\*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Elementary Students Suspended = (Number of Elementary Students Suspended / Cumulative Elementary Student Enrollment) X 100.

### Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Number	Percent Numbe	er Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.00					
	Suspended (Out of School)	9.26 35					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065004	Carver Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.00					
	Suspended (Out of School)	0.38 2					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.00					
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.14 15					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	4.39 18					
	Suspended (Out of School)	8.78 36					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.00					
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.09 16					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.91 5					
	Suspended (Out of School)	4.01 22					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School						
	Suspended (In School)	0.00					
	Suspended (Out of School)	1.03 8					
	Expelled (In School)	0.00					
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00					

### Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

		1998-	99	1999-00	2000	-01	2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065012	Lexington Elementary School										
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0								
	Suspended (Out of School)	5.41	32								
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0								
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0								
065013	Lincoln Elementary School										
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0								
	Suspended (Out of School)	5.02	34								
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0								
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0								
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School										
	Suspended (In School)	0.30	1								
	Suspended (Out of School)	8.96	30								
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0								
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0								
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School										
	Suspended (In School)	0.39	2								
	Suspended (Out of School)	4.33	22								
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0								
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0								
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School										
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0								
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.81	23								
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0								
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0								

### Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

	1998-	99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Ni	ımber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District (Elementary Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	0.39	26									
Suspended (Out of School)	4.13	273									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
District (All Schools)											,
Suspended (In School)	2.33	261									
Suspended (Out of School)	9.10	1,017									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	26									
State (Elementary Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	3.36 12	2,975									
Suspended (Out of School)	5.10 19	9,705									
Expelled (In School)	0.05	190									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.06	214									
State (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.14 63	3,578									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 82	2,290									
Expelled (In School)	0.23	1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

### **Table 6b: Students Suspended and Expelled**

Middle/Jr. High Schools

		1998-99		1999	-00	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent N	lumber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065003	Carroll Junior High School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	5.90	26									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	1									
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	15.30	97									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	1.26	8									
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	31.85	222									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	2.15	15									

# **Table 6b: Students Suspended and Expelled**

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998	-99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
Suspended (Out of School)	20.01	343									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	1.40	24									
District (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	2.33	261									
Suspended (Out of School)	9.10	1,017									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	26									
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	16.35 2	1,735									
Suspended (Out of School)	19.38 2	5,751									
Expelled (In School)	0.57	756									
Expelled (Out of School)	1.12	1,482									
State (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.14 6	3,578									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 8	2,290									
Expelled (In School)	0.23	1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

### **Table 6c: Students Suspended and Expelled**

# High Schools

		1998	-99	1999	<b>9-00</b>	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065002	Carroll High School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.40	3									
	Suspended (Out of School)	20.82	157									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
065014	Neville High School											
	Suspended (In School)	21.40	232									
	Suspended (Out of School)	10.52	114									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
065018	Wossman High School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	13.54	132									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.21	2									

### **Table 6c: Students Suspended and Expelled**

# High Schools

	1998	.99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District (High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.49	235									
Suspended (Out of School)	14.49	401									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.07	2									
District (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	2.33	261									
Suspended (Out of School)	9.10	1,017									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	26									
State (High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	11.84 2	7,296									
Suspended (Out of School)	14.88 3	4,314									
Expelled (In School)	0.30	701									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.78	1,797									
State (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.14 6	3,578									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 8	2,290									
Expelled (In School)	0.23	1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

# Part 4. Student Achievement

Developmental Reading Assessment Results	4-1
Criterion-referenced Test (CRT) – LEAP 21 Test Results	
Criterion-referenced Test (CRT) – GEE Results	4-19
Norm-referenced Test (NRT) – Iowa Tests Results	

The ability to read is essential to survive in our society. Many children learn to read quickly and efficiently once exposed to formal instruction. However, this skill acquisition is not an easy task for some children because of a variety of reasons. These children require high quality preschool and kindergarten programs and excellent primary instruction that emphasize language and literacy skills. Focusing on this important issue, the Louisiana Legislature funded a K-3 reading and mathematics initiative in its 1997 and 1998 legislative sessions.

#### **Organization**

Tables 7a and 7b present Reading Level Evaluation Results for grades 2 and 3 respectively. These results present the number and percent of students reading below, on, and above their grade levels. This information is provided for each public school in the district, with schools listed in site code order. District and state results are presented for comparison purposes.

#### **Definition**

The following students were evaluated and included in the assessment results:

- all regular education students enrolled as of October 1, 1998;
- all special education students whose IEPs designate that they are in a specially designed, regular instructional program;
- all Limited English Proficient (LEP) students who were enrolled in and who completed at least two full consecutive academic years in an English-speaking school (including kindergarten);
- students in alternative programs or placements who are addressing regular curriculum standards; and
- all disabled students according to Section 504.

#### **Assessment Instruments**

This year's results were based on Louisiana's new **Developmental Reading Assessment** (**DRA**) program, a uniform examination used statewide for the first time in the 1998-99 school year. The tests are an essential part of the K-3 Reading and Mathematics Initiative, designed both to identify students at-risk of reading failure and to provide individualized instruction. Two major aspects of reading which are critical to independence as a reader are evaluated by the DRA, which is administered to each individual student; (a) accuracy of oral reading, and (b) comprehension through reading and re-telling of narrative stories.

In the 1998-99 school year, first-grade students were assessed in the spring semester only, while second- and third-grade students were assessed both in the fall and spring semesters. The results shown in this report are based on assessment in fall of 1998.

#### **Method of Calculation**

The formula used to compute the percents of students reading below, on, and above their grade levels is presented on the following page.

#### **Data Sources**

The Reading Level data are based on district-reported data submitted to the Louisiana Department of Education, Division of School Standards, Accountability and Assistance.

#### Formula Used to Calculate Percent of Students Reading Below, On, and Above Their Grade Levels

Percent of Students Number of Students Reading Below Grade Level X 100 Reading Below Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level Percent of Students Number of Students Reading On Grade Level Reading On X 100 Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level Percent of Students Number of Students Reading Above Grade Level X 100 Reading Above Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level

### **Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2**

	1998-	99	199	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Ni	ımber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065001 Lida Benton Elementary School											
Students Assessed		43									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	72.09	31									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	13.95	6									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	13.95	6									
065004 Carver Elementary School							_				
Students Assessed		64									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	64.06	41									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	35.94	23									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065005 J.S. Clark Elementary School							r				
Students Assessed		66									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	69.70	46									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	30.30	20									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065006 Barkdull Faulk Elementary School							г				
Students Assessed		56									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	53.57	30									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	46.43	26									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065007 Clara Hall Elementary School							г				
Students Assessed		63									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	74.60	47									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	14.29	9									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	11.11	7									
065008 Sallie Humble Elementary School							г				
Students Assessed		50									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	74.00	37									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	26.00	13									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									

### **Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2**

	1998-	99	1999-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Nu	mber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065010 Berg Jones Elementary School										
Students Assessed		80								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	81.25	65								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	13.75	11								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	5.00	4								
065012 Lexington Elementary School										
Students Assessed		66								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	43.94	29								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	27.27	18								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	28.79	19								
065013 Lincoln Elementary School										
Students Assessed		84								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	55.95	47								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	44.05	37								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0								
065015 Minnie Ruffin Elementary School										
Students Assessed		71								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	83.10	59								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	16.90	12								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0								
065017 Georgia Tucker Elementary School										
Students Assessed		18								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	100.00	18								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	0.00	0								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0								
065024 Cypress Point Elementary School										
Students Assessed		52								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	80.77	42								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	15.38	8								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	3.85	2								

### **Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2**

	1998	3-99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
									Percent Number		
065026 Madison James Foster Elementary School											
Students Assessed		85									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	50.59	43									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	36.47	31									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	12.94	11									
District											
Students Assessed		798									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	67.04	535									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	26.82	214									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	6.14	49									
State (Pub <u>lic)</u>											
Students Assessed		58,615									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	56.36	33,038									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	29.53	17,307									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	14.11	8,270									

### **Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3**

	1998-	.99	199	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Ni	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065001 Lida Benton Elementary School							'		•		
Students Assessed		33									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	42.42	14									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	42.42	14									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	15.15	5									
065004 Carver Elementary School							_				
Students Assessed		54									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	51.85	28									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	46.30	25									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	1.85	1									
065005 J.S. Clark Elementary School							-				
Students Assessed		65									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	38.46	25									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	61.54	40									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065006 Barkdull Faulk Elementary School							F				
Students Assessed		39									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	51.28	20									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.72	19									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065007 Clara Hall Elementary School							F				
Students Assessed		53									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	52.83	28									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	45.28	24									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	1.89	1									
065008 Sallie Humble Elementary School							r				
Students Assessed		76									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	48.68	37									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	51.32	39									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									

### **Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3**

	1998	-99	199	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065010 Berg Jones Elementary School	<u></u>										
Students Assessed		85									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	55.29	47									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	35.29	30									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	9.41	8									
065012 Lexington Elementary School							_				
Students Assessed		70									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	24.29	17									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	35.71	25									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	40.00	28									
065013 Lincoln Elementary School							r				
Students Assessed		87									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	39.08	34									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	60.92	53									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065015 Minnie Ruffin Elementary School	_						г				
Students Assessed		66									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	59.09	39									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	40.91	27									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065017 Georgia Tucker Elementary School	_						г				
Students Assessed		47									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	65.96	31									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	34.04	16									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0									
065024 Cypress Point Elementary School	_						г				
Students Assessed		54									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	40.74	22									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	57.41	31									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	1.85	1									

### **Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3**

	1998	-99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065026 Madison James Foster Elementary School											
Students Assessed		85									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	68.24	58									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	25.88	22									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	5.88	5									
District	<u></u>										
Students Assessed		814									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	49.14	400									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	44.84	365									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	6.02	49									
State (Public)											
Students Assessed	5	7,625									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	34.48 1	9,869									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	45.72 2	6,348									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	19.80 1	1,418									

#### **Criterion-referenced Test (CRT) – LEAP 21 Test Results**

The *LEAP for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century tests* (or **LEAP 21**), the State's new *criterion*-referenced testing (CRT) program, are administered to students in grades 4 and 8, and will be phased in at the high school level. These tests measure how well a student has mastered the State's new content standards. The high school CRT is commonly known as the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE). Not yet administered in its new format, the current GEE will continue to be given until the new format is phased in. The GEE will be further explained in the next section.

All students take the CRT, except for students who have met participation criteria for alternate assessment as indicated on their Individual Education Plan (IEP). Since 1995-96, CRT scores have been reported for both regular and special education students. The new LEAP 21 tests implemented for the first time in the spring of 1999 to the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, differ from the previous CRT tests in the areas described below.

- ◆ These tests are aligned with the new state content standards, which by law must be as rigorous as the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) tests.
  - The new English language arts tests have longer reading passages and a greater variety of item types. Some openended questions require written responses to what the students read, and students in each grade must write a composition in response to a writing prompt.
  - The new mathematics tests also reflect greater difficulty, with a broader and more challenging range of test items and problem types. For example, there are open-ended problems as well as problems with more than one solution and/or more than one path to a solution.
- ♦ Students will no longer receive a simple "pass/fail," but instead will receive one of five achievement ratings:
  - Advanced-demonstrates superior performance beyond the proficient level of mastery.

- Proficient-demonstrates competency over challenging subject matter and is well-prepared for the next level of schooling.
- Basic-demonstrates only the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.
- Approaching Basic-partially demonstrates the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.
- Unsatisfactory-does not demonstrate the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.

#### **Organization**

Tables 8a–8d provide CRT results for grades 4 and 8 for the English language arts and mathematics tests. Table 9 in the next section provides GEE results for first-time GEE test takers.

The tables reflect both the number and percent of students scoring at each proficiency level for each subject area.

#### **Definition**

Criterion-referenced tests (CRTs)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in achieving established criteria; LEAP 21 CRT results show the number and percent of Louisiana students in each one of the five proficiency levels described above.

#### **Data Source**

The CRT results are based on student-level data tapes provided to the LDE by Data Recognition Corporation (DRC), the test contractor for the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (LEAP 21) for grades 4 and 8.

### **Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts**

		1998-	99	1999-0	0	2000-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent Nu	ımber	Percent Num	ber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School								_		
	Advanced	0.0	0								
	Proficient	0.0	0								
	Basic	23.8	10								
	Approaching Basic	26.2	11								
	Unsatisfactory	50.0	21								
065004	Carver Elementary School					1					
	Advanced	0.0	0								
	Proficient	0.0	0								
	Basic	24.0	12								
	Approaching Basic	26.0	13								
	Unsatisfactory	50.0	25								
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School			,		1					
	Advanced	10.9	7								
	Proficient	17.2	11								
	Basic	45.3	29								
	Approaching Basic	17.2	11								
	Unsatisfactory	9.4	6								
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School								1		
	Advanced	0.0	0								
	Proficient	20.6	7								
	Basic	38.2	13								
	Approaching Basic	17.6	6								
	Unsatisfactory	23.5	8								
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School										
	Advanced	0.0	0								
	Proficient	3.0	2								
	Basic	31.8	21								
	Approaching Basic	36.4	24								
	Unsatisfactory	28.8	19								
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School										
	Advanced	0.0	0								
	Proficient	24.6	15								
	Basic	39.3	24		}						
	Approaching Basic	26.2	16								
	Unsatisfactory	9.8	6								

### Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts

		1998-	99	1999	<b>)-00</b>	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent Nu	ımber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	1.2	1									
	Basic	12.0	10									
	Approaching Basic	39.8	33									
	Unsatisfactory	47.0	39									
065012	Lexington Elementary School											
	Advanced	4.4	3									
	Proficient	23.5	16									
	Basic	30.9	21									
	Approaching Basic	27.9	19									
	Unsatisfactory	13.2	9									
065013	Lincoln Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	2.9	2									
	Basic	22.1	15									
	Approaching Basic	33.8	23									
	Unsatisfactory	41.2	28									
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	11.3	8									
	Basic	40.8	29									
	Approaching Basic	21.1	15									
	Unsatisfactory	26.8	19									
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	3.2	1									
	Basic	38.7	12									
	Approaching Basic	35.5	11									
	Unsatisfactory	22.6	7									
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	8.8	6									
	Basic	44.1	30									
	Approaching Basic	27.9	19									
	Unsatisfactory	19.1	13									

### Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts

		1998	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		1-02	2002-03	2003-04	
										Percent Number		
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School									_		
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	4.9	4									
	Basic	28.0	23									
	Approaching Basic	35.4	29									
	Unsatisfactory	31.7	26									
District												
	Advanced	1.3	10									
	Proficient	9.3	73									
	Basic	31.6	249									
	Approaching Basic	29.2	230									
	Unsatisfactory	28.7	226									
State												
	Advanced	1.4	797									
	Proficient	14.7	8,451									
	Basic	39.0 2	2,376									
	Approaching Basic	24.1 1	3,845									
	Unsatisfactory	20.7 1	1,872									

#### **Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics**

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	
		Percent Number						
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School							
	Advanced	0.0						
	Proficient	0.0						
	Basic	9.5 4						
	Approaching Basic	16.7 7						
	Unsatisfactory	73.8 31						
065004	Carver Elementary School							
	Advanced	0.0						
	Proficient	0.0						
	Basic	6.0 3						
	Approaching Basic	16.0 8						
	Unsatisfactory	78.0 39						
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School							
	Advanced	0.0						
	Proficient	16.9 11						
	Basic	35.4 23						
	Approaching Basic	26.2 17						
	Unsatisfactory	21.5 14						
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School							
	Advanced	0.0						
	Proficient	0.0						
	Basic	11.8 4						
	Approaching Basic	26.5 9						
	Unsatisfactory	61.8 21						
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School							
	Advanced	0.0						
	Proficient	0.0						
	Basic	22.4 15						
	Approaching Basic	19.4 13						
	Unsatisfactory	58.2 39						
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School							
	Advanced	3.3 2						
	Proficient	9.8 6						
	Basic	37.7 23						
	Approaching Basic	24.6 15						
	Unsatisfactory	24.6 15						

#### **Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics**

		1998-	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		1-02	2002-03	2003-04	
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School									_		
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	1.2	1									
	Basic	9.6	8									
	Approaching Basic	24.1	20									
	Unsatisfactory	65.1	54									
065012	Lexington Elementary School				T							
	Advanced	2.9	2									
	Proficient	13.2	9									
	Basic	38.2	26									
	Approaching Basic	17.6	12									
	Unsatisfactory	27.9	19									
065013	Lincoln Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	11.8	8									
	Approaching Basic	25.0	17									
	Unsatisfactory	63.2	43									
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	1.4	1									
	Basic	8.5	6									
	Approaching Basic	38.0	27									
	Unsatisfactory	52.1	37									
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School									1		
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	22.6	7									
	Approaching Basic	16.1	5									
	Unsatisfactory	61.3	19									
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School									1		
	Advanced	1.5	1									
	Proficient	2.9	2									
	Basic	38.2	26									
	Approaching Basic	23.5	16									
	Unsatisfactory	33.8	23									

#### **Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics**

Percent and Number of Students by Proficiency Levels

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
			1	Percent Number			
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School				_		
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	0.0					
	Basic	12.2 10					
	Approaching Basic	20.7 17					
	Unsatisfactory	67.1 55					
District							
	Advanced	0.6 5					
	Proficient	3.8 30					
	Basic	20.6 163					
	Approaching Basic	23.2 183					
	Unsatisfactory	51.8 409					
State							
	Advanced	1.7 1,003					
	Proficient	7.8 4,473					
	Basic	31.7 18,157					
	Approaching Basic	24.0 13,755					
	Unsatisfactory	34.8 19,931					

# Table 8c: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 English Language Arts

Percent and Number of Students by Proficiency Levels

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Number					
065003	Carroll Junior High School						
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	5.5 9					
	Basic	20.1 33					
	Approaching Basic	50.0 82					
	Unsatisfactory	24.4 40					
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School						
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	5.0 10					
	Basic	24.3 49					
	Approaching Basic	39.1 79					
	Unsatisfactory	31.7 64					
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School						
	Advanced	1.1 3					
	Proficient	16.8 44					
	Basic	28.2 74					
	Approaching Basic	39.3 103					
	Unsatisfactory	14.5 38					
District							
	Advanced	0.5					
	Proficient	10.0 63					
	Basic	24.8 156					
	Approaching Basic	42.0 264					
	Unsatisfactory	22.6 142					
State							
	Advanced	1.1 577					
	Proficient	11.2 6,035					
	Basic	31.5 17,005					
	Approaching Basic	35.9 19,358					
	Unsatisfactory	20.3 10,928					

#### **Table 8d: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 Mathematics**

Percent and Number of Students by Proficiency Levels

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Number					
065003	Carroll Junior High School						
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	0.0					
	Basic	12.8 21					
	Approaching Basic	23.8 39					
	Unsatisfactory	63.4 104					
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School				,	,	
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	0.0					
	Basic	19.4 39					
	Approaching Basic	17.4 35					
	Unsatisfactory	63.2 127					
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School						
	Advanced	3.8 10					
	Proficient	11.4 30					
	Basic	24.3 64					
	Approaching Basic	16.3 43					
	Unsatisfactory	44.1 116					
District							
	Advanced	1.6 10					
	Proficient	4.8 30					
	Basic	19.7 124					
	Approaching Basic	18.6 117					
	Unsatisfactory	55.3 347					
State							
	Advanced	1.3 713					
	Proficient	4.4 2,359					
	Basic	33.3 17,927					
	Approaching Basic	21.3 11,498					
	Unsatisfactory	39.7 21,360					

The Criterion-referenced Tests in this state are part of the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP); they are administered in April of each year to public school students at specified grade levels. For the secondary level, the CRT is the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE).

To graduate from public high school, Louisiana students must accumulate 23 Carnegie units of academic credit and pass all five components of the GEE. Students who do not achieve the performance standards for any of the test components have at least two opportunities per year to retake those portions; in addition, they are offered remedial instruction prior to retaking test sections. GEE results reported in this publication are for first-time test takers.

The Written Composition, English Language Arts, and Mathematics components of the GEE are initially administered to students at the 10th grade level. The first opportunity for students to take the Science and Social Studies components of the GEE is at the 11th grade level.

These tests are administered to all students with the exception of special education students who have met the participation criteria for Alternate Assessment. The Progress Profiles Program reports scores for all students taking the tests. This format reflects the same reporting format used by the LEAP.

In Louisiana, the GEE provides a measure of the extent to which students meet State-established, grade-level skill requirements in English language arts, mathematics, written composition, science, and social studies.

#### **Organization**

Table 9 provides the GEE results for first-time GEE test takers. The table presents the GEE results for each high school in the district in school site code order. Also, comparison data are presented for the district and the state.

The tables reflect both the 1998-99 number and percent of students who met or exceeded standards for the respective grade levels.

#### Definition

GEE results show the number and percent of Louisiana students who met or exceeded state curriculum content standards. Thus, the percent of students passing a specific test is the percent scoring at or above the performance standard that the state has set in that subject area.

#### **Data Source**

The GEE results are based on student-level data tapes provided to the LDE by National Computer Systems, test contractor for this portion of the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP).

# **Table 9: Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results**

Percent and Number of Students Passing

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Numb	er Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number
065002	Carroll High School						
	English Language Arts	69 9	6				
	Mathematics	47 6	4				
	Written Composition	81 10	9				
	Science	62 8	2				
	Social Studies	72 9	6				
065014	Neville High School						,
	English Language Arts	88 15	3				
	Mathematics	76 13	0				
	Written Composition	93 15	9				
	Science	78 14	1				
	Social Studies	95 17	4				
065018	Wossman High School					<del>,</del>	
	English Language Arts	78 11					
	Mathematics	59 8	4				
	Written Composition	88 12	0				
	Science	67 9	3				
	Social Studies	85 11	7				
District							,
	English Language Arts	79 35	9				
	Mathematics	62 27	8				
	Written Composition	88 38					
	Science	70 31	6				
	Social Studies	85 38	7				
State							,
	English Language Arts	85   39,31	1				
	Mathematics	74   33,87	1				
	Written Composition	93 41,42					
	Science	80 33,05					
	Social Studies	88   36,49	6				

The Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) utilizes norm-referenced tests (NRTs) for national student comparisons with Louisiana students. From 1988 to 1992, Louisiana's NRT was the *California Achievement Test (CAT)* Form F, and from 1993 to 1997, Louisiana's NRT was the CAT/5. In 1998, the test administered to Louisiana students changed from the *California Achievement Test* to the *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills* (ITBS) and the *Iowa Tests of Educational Development* (ITED).

In 1999, the complete batteries of the *ITBS*, Form M, were administered to approximately 235,000 Louisiana public school students in grades 3, 5, 6, and 7. Approximately 60,000 public school students in grade 9 were also tested, taking the Complete Battery of the *ITED*, Form M. With items in a traditional multiple choice format, *The Iowa Tests* assessed student performance in reading, language, mathematics, spelling, study skills, science, and social studies.

At grades 3, 5, 6, and 7, the *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)* were administered and at grade 9 the *Iowa Tests of Educational Development (ITED)* were administered.

ITBS consists of thirteen tests in the subject areas of reading, language, mathematics, social studies, science, and sources of information. The Mathematics Computation test was administered only at grade 3; Mathematics Computation is not used to calculate the Math Total, Core Total, nor the Composite score. The *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills* Composite score is the average of the scores for Reading Total, Language Total, Mathematics Total, Social Studies, Science, and Sources of Information Total.

ITED consists of seven tests: Vocabulary, Correctness and Appropriateness of Expression, Ability to Do Quantitative Thinking, Ability to Interpret Literary Materials, Analysis of Social Studies Materials, Analysis of Science Materials, and Use of Sources of Information. The *Iowa Tests of Educational Development* Composite score is the average of the scores for the seven tests.

These tests are administered to all students with the exception of special education students who have met the participation criteria for Alternate Assessment. Scores are reported for all students not requiring accommodations to the standardized administration procedures.

#### Organization

Tables 10a to 10e present 1998-99 NRT results for grades 3, 5, 6, 7, and 9, respectively. Test results are presented for all public schools in the district with schools listed in site code order. District, state, and national results are presented for comparison purposes.

Data are grouped as follows:

- Quartile 4--the percent of students who scored in the top 25% of students in the national norm group. If 32 of 100 students scored this high, Quartile 4 would read 32 percent.
- *Quartile 3*--the percent of students who scored between the 50th and the 74th national percentiles.
- *Quartile* 2-- the percent of students who scored between the 25th and 49th national percentiles.
- *Quartile 1*--the percent of students who scored between the 1st and 24th national percentiles.
- Percentile Rank of the Average Standard Score for the National Student Norms-- percentile rank of the average student in the school, district, or state. For example, a percentile rank of 48 for a school means that 48 percent of the students in the norm group scored at or below the average score obtained by the students in the school.

#### **Definition**

*Norm-referenced tests (NRT).* These tests produce scores that tell how schools/individuals perform in comparison with other schools/individuals; LEAP NRT results show how Louisiana schools perform when compared with the district, state, and nation.

#### **Data Source**

The NRT indicator is based on student-level data provided to the Louisiana Department of Education by Riverside Publishing, the test contractor for The Iowa Tests.

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	3.3					
	Third Quartile	16.7					
	Second Quartile	16.7					
	First Quartile	63.3					
	Percentile Rank	24.0					
065004	Carver Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	12.5					
	Second Quartile	31.3					
	First Quartile	56.3					
	Percentile Rank	22.0					
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	21.1					
	Third Quartile	33.3					
	Second Quartile	31.6					
	First Quartile	14.0					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	12.2					
	Third Quartile	14.6					
	Second Quartile	29.3					
	First Quartile	43.9					
	Percentile Rank	32.0					
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.1					
	Third Quartile	8.5					
	Second Quartile	40.4					
	First Quartile	48.9					
	Percentile Rank	24.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	8.9					
	Third Quartile	17.9					
	Second Quartile	44.6					
	First Quartile	28.6					
	Percentile Rank	39.0					
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	1.4					
	Third Quartile	12.7					
	Second Quartile	39.4					
	First Quartile	46.5					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					
065012	Lexington Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	28.8					
	Third Quartile	30.3					
	Second Quartile	27.3					
	First Quartile	13.6					
	Percentile Rank	59.0					
065013	Lincoln Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	15.7					
	Second Quartile	22.9					
	First Quartile	61.4					
	Percentile Rank	25.0					
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	10.9					
	Third Quartile	30.9					
	Second Quartile	41.8					
	First Quartile	16.4					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	3.8					
	Third Quartile	30.8					
	Second Quartile	42.3					
	First Quartile	23.1					
	Percentile Rank	40.0					
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	15.4					
	Third Quartile	23.1					
	Second Quartile	42.3					
	First Quartile	19.2					
	Percentile Rank	47.0					
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.6					
	Third Quartile	9.1					
	Second Quartile	24.7					
	First Quartile	63.6					
	Percentile Rank	20.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	8.8					
	Third Quartile	19.3					
	Second Quartile	33.2					
	First Quartile	38.8					
	Percentile Rank	35.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.5					
	Third Quartile	25.8					
	Second Quartile	29.1					
	First Quartile	28.6					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	0.0					
	Second Quartile	22.5					
	First Quartile	77.5					
	Percentile Rank	14.0					
065004	Carver Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	4.2					
	Third Quartile	4.2					
	Second Quartile	37.5					
	First Quartile	54.2					
	Percentile Rank	23.0					
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	43.9					
	Third Quartile	21.2					
	Second Quartile	16.7					
	First Quartile	18.2					
	Percentile Rank	64.0					
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	8.1					
	Third Quartile	2.7					
	Second Quartile	37.8					
	First Quartile	51.4					
	Percentile Rank	31.0					
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.0					
	Third Quartile	22.4					
	Second Quartile	44.9					
	First Quartile	30.6					
	Percentile Rank	34.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	28.6					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	32.1					
	First Quartile	14.3					
	Percentile Rank	58.0					
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.8					
	Third Quartile	11.1					
	Second Quartile	34.7					
	First Quartile	51.4					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					
065012	Lexington Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	26.0					
	Third Quartile	42.0					
	Second Quartile	28.0					
	First Quartile	4.0					
	Percentile Rank	64.0					
065013	Lincoln Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	11.5					
	Second Quartile	39.7					
	First Quartile	48.7					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	6.0					
	Third Quartile	14.3					
	Second Quartile	50.0					
	First Quartile	29.8					
	Percentile Rank	37.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	5.3					
	Third Quartile	26.3					
	Second Quartile	36.8					
	First Quartile	31.6					
	Percentile Rank	42.0					
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	10.6					
	Third Quartile	21.3					
	Second Quartile	53.2					
	First Quartile	14.9					
	Percentile Rank	46.0					
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	1.6					
	Third Quartile	4.8					
	Second Quartile	28.6					
	First Quartile	65.1					
	Percentile Rank	21.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	11.0					
	Third Quartile	15.5					
	Second Quartile	35.8					
	First Quartile	37.7					
	Percentile Rank	38.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.2					
	Third Quartile	23.4					
	Second Quartile	30.8					
	First Quartile	29.6					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065001	Lida Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	10.3					
	Second Quartile	44.8					
	First Quartile	44.8					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					
065004	Carver Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.1					
	Third Quartile	6.3					
	Second Quartile	58.3					
	First Quartile	33.3					
	Percentile Rank	32.0					
065005	J.S. Clark Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	19.6					
	Third Quartile	44.6					
	Second Quartile	23.2					
	First Quartile	12.5					
	Percentile Rank	58.0					
065006	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	7.1					
	Third Quartile	21.4					
	Second Quartile	42.9					
	First Quartile	28.6					
	Percentile Rank	38.0					
065007	Clara Hall Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	5.6					
	Third Quartile	14.8					
	Second Quartile	48.1					
	First Quartile	31.5					
	Percentile Rank	35.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065008	Sallie Humble Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	20.0					
	Third Quartile	40.0					
	Second Quartile	30.0					
	First Quartile	10.0					
	Percentile Rank	58.0					
065010	Berg Jones Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	7.9					
	Second Quartile	38.1					
	First Quartile	54.0					
	Percentile Rank	25.0					
065012	Lexington Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	27.3					
	Third Quartile	30.9					
	Second Quartile	34.5					
	First Quartile	7.3					
	Percentile Rank	60.0					
065013	Lincoln Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	9.8					
	Second Quartile	49.2					
	First Quartile	41.0					
	Percentile Rank	29.0					
065015	Minnie Ruffin Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	8.8					
	Third Quartile	27.9					
	Second Quartile	44.1					
	First Quartile	19.1					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065017	Georgia Tucker Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	11.1					
	Third Quartile	33.3					
	Second Quartile	29.6					
	First Quartile	25.9					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
065024	Cypress Point Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	19.6					
	Third Quartile	28.3					
	Second Quartile	34.8					
	First Quartile	17.4					
	Percentile Rank	52.0					
065026	Madison James Foster Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	6.1					
	Third Quartile	9.1					
	Second Quartile	37.9					
	First Quartile	47.0					
	Percentile Rank	31.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	9.8					
	Third Quartile	21.5					
	Second Quartile	39.8					
	First Quartile	28.9					
	Percentile Rank	41.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	15.9					
	Third Quartile	24.6					
	Second Quartile	31.4					
	First Quartile	28.1					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065003	Carroll Junior High School						
	Fourth Quartile	3.8					
	Third Quartile	18.4					
	Second Quartile	41.8					
	First Quartile	36.1					
	Percentile Rank	34.0					
065009	Thomas Jefferson Junior High School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.8					
	Third Quartile	12.6					
	Second Quartile	32.0					
	First Quartile	52.6					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					
065011	Robert E. Lee Junior High School						
	Fourth Quartile	17.2					
	Third Quartile	23.1					
	Second Quartile	27.5					
	First Quartile	32.2					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	8.8					
	Third Quartile	18.1					
	Second Quartile	32.4					
	First Quartile	40.6					
	Percentile Rank	36.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	15.2					
	Third Quartile	24.1					
	Second Quartile	31.4					
	First Quartile	29.4					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065002	Carroll High School						
	Fourth Quartile	2.8					
	Third Quartile	15.4					
	Second Quartile	43.4					
	First Quartile	38.5					
	Percentile Rank	31.0					
065014	Neville High School						
	Fourth Quartile	22.9					
	Third Quartile	25.7					
	Second Quartile	29.7					
	First Quartile	21.7					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					
065018	Wossman High School						
	Fourth Quartile	3.0					
	Third Quartile	13.6					
	Second Quartile	35.4					
	First Quartile	48.0					
	Percentile Rank	27.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	11.4					
	Third Quartile	19.2					
	Second Quartile	34.9					
	First Quartile	34.6					
	Percentile Rank	38.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.5					
	Third Quartile	24.8					
	Second Quartile	29.5					
	First Quartile	29.2					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

# Part 5. College Readiness

American College Test (ACT) Results	5-1
First-Time Freshmen Performance	5-3

Scores on the American College Test (ACT) are widely used as an indicator of student preparedness for college. Most Louisiana public colleges and universities require that entering students take the ACT for admissions or placement purposes.

#### **Organization**

Table 11, American College Test (ACT) Results, presents average composite scores for graduating seniors for each school in the district receiving a *School Report Card*. Schools are shown in school site code order. Comparison data are presented for the district (public schools only), the state (public and nonpublic schools combined), and the nation (public and nonpublic schools combined).

The ACT results shown include test scores for (1) twelfth graders who took the test in the current year and (2) twelfth graders who took the test as eleventh graders and elected not to retake it as seniors. If a student took the test in both the eleventh and twelfth grades, only the twelfth grade score has been included.

#### **Data Presentation**

A college readiness indicator that includes ACT information is presented on all public schools that have a twelfth grade. The *District Composite Report* presents the 1998-99 average ACT composite scores at the school, district, state, and national levels.

#### **Method of Calculation**

The ACT composite score is an average score based on the scores for the four ACT assessment tests (English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning). The composite score, which ranges from 1 to 36, is a measure of the student's general educational development across these four subject areas.

#### **Data Source**

The ACT indicator is based on student-level data supplied to the LDE by the testing contractor, American College Testing.

#### References

Franklin, B.J., and Crone, L.J., (1993, April). *Louisiana Progress Profiles*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Atlanta, Ga.

LDE researchers have found the ACT performance of Louisiana students correlates highly with their performance on LEAP (CRT and NRT) tests. Further, those districts with the highest percentage of students taking the ACT have the highest ACT scores. This finding tends to dispute a widelyheld assumption that the higher the percentage of students taking the ACT, the lower the average score (Franklin and Crone, 1993).

# **Table 11: American College Test (ACT) Results**

# Average Composite Scores

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
065002 Carroll High School	16.0					
065014 Neville High School	19.3					
065018 Wossman High School	16.0					
District (Public)	17.4					
State (Public and Nonpublic)	19.6					
Nation (Public and Nonpublic)	21.0					

The number of freshmen who enroll in remedial courses during their first semester of college is one measure of the extent to which high school graduates are prepared for college.

Since 1987, the Louisiana Board of Regents has collected and reported information on the number of Louisiana high school graduates who enroll in Louisiana colleges and universities the following fall and enroll in remedial/developmental courses. The 1993 Legislature, believing that parents should have access to this information, enacted legislation mandating that this first-time college freshmen data be incorporated into the *Progress Profiles*.

#### **Organization**

Table 12, First-time College Freshmen Performance, presents the number and percent of students who (1) graduated from *Report Card* schools and (2) enrolled as first-time freshmen during the following fall semester at any of the state's two- and four-year public and private universities. The table also reports the number and percent of first-time college freshmen who were enrolled in at least one remedial course during their first regular semester of college study.

#### **Data Presentation**

The college readiness indicator that includes first-time college freshmen information is presented on all public schools that have a twelfth grade.

Note: The first-time college freshmen data reported on 1998-99 school year represent information on 1997-98 high school graduates. Further, the district results may reflect data from additional schools, which were open during the 1997-98 school year. Finally, the State results are based on public schools that had diploma graduates in 1997-98.

#### **Definitions**

First-time college freshman—a student who graduates from high school during a given school year and who is enrolled full time in a Louisiana higher education institution the following fall semester. A student must begin the fall semester with fewer than 12 hours of credit previously attempted (not including advanced placement credits

#### Formula Used to Calculate First-time College Freshmen Percentages

Percent of High School Graduates Who
Were First-time College Freshmen = Number of First-time College Freshmen

Total Number of High School Graduates X 100

Percent of First-time College Freshmen
Who Enrolled in a Remedial Course = Number of First-time College Freshmen

Who Enrolled in a Remedial Course
Total Number of First-time College
Freshmen

and correspondence study) to be considered a first-time freshman.

- *Graduate*—a student who successfully completes a SBESE-approved education program, passes the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), and thus earns a state-approved diploma. Students who earn GEDs are not included.
- Remedial course—a course designed by a university to prepare students to succeed academically in college-level courses. Remedial/developmental courses may be offered for college credit (i.e., they are taken into consideration in determining whether students are enrolled part time or full time), but do not carry degree credit.

#### **Method of Calculation**

The two formulas used in calculating the first-time college freshmen indicator are presented on the preceding page. The percent of high school graduates who become first-time college freshmen is calculated for public school graduates who attend in-state public colleges and universities.

#### **Data Sources**

The first-time college freshmen indicator is based on data submitted to the LDE by Louisiana public and private universities to LDE in compliance with La. R.S. 17:3912 (since repealed).

**Table 12**First-time College Freshmen Performance

	1998-99		1999-00 2000-01 2		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		
	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
065002 Carroll High School											
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>		115									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	38.26	44									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	75.00	33									
065014 Neville High School				_							
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>		179									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	53.63	96									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	66.67	64									
065018 Wossman High School				_							
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>		168									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	42.26	71									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	73.24	52									
District (Public)				_							
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>		462									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	45.67	211									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	70.62	149									
State (Pub <u>lic)</u>				_							
Number of High School Graduates <sup>1</sup>		38,360									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	42.71	16,382									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	45.61	7,472									

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents graduates from the previous school year

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- aggregate days attendance—the total number of days that students are *present* at the school site over the course of the school year.
- aggregate days membership—the total number of days that students are *enrolled* (but not necessarily *present* at the school site) over the course of the school year.
- class—a grouping of children under the primary supervision and instruction of an individual teacher for all or part of the instructional day, as reported for purposes of the *Annual School Report* (ASR) and as identified by a specific ASR course code.
- combination school category—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-12 range and which is not described by any of the other school category definitions. These schools generally contain some grades in the K-6 range and grades in the 9-12 range. Examples would include grade configurations such as K-12; K-3, combined with 9-12; and 4-6, combined with 9-12.
- criterion-referenced test (CRT)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in achieving an established criterion; LEAP CRT results (as reported by *Progress Profiles*) show the number and percent of Louisiana students who met or exceeded state curriculum content standards.
- cumulative enrollment—the sum of all students enrolled in a school or district for at least one school day during the course of the school year, used as the denominator for calculating school- and district-level suspension and expulsion percents.
- day of attendance—when a student "(1) is physically present at a school site or is participating in an authorized school activity and (2) is under the supervision of authorized personnel. This definition extends to students who are homebound, assigned to and participating in drug rehabilitation programs that contain a State-approved education component, or participating in school-authorized field trips." (Bulletin 741)
  - "Students who meet the above criteria and are present at the school site for 26-50% of the student's instructional day shall be credited with a half day's attendance. Those who meet the above criteria and are present for at least 51% of the student's

- instructional day are credited with a whole day's attendance. Students who are not physically present or who are participating for 25% or less of their instructional day will be considered absent for reporting purposes. Absences, whether excused or unexcused, shall be counted as an absence for reporting to the Department." (*Bulletin 741*)
- dropout—"an individual who was enrolled in school at some time during the previous school year, was not enrolled at the beginning of the current school year, has not graduated from high school or completed an approved educational program, and does not meet any of the following exclusive conditions: transfer to another public school district, private school, or state- or district-approved education program; temporary absence due to suspension or school-approved illness; or death." (NCES, 1993)
  - "For purposes of applying the dropout definition, the following definitions below also apply.
  - 1. A school year is defined as the 12-month period of time beginning October 1 and ending September 30.
  - 2. An individual has graduated from high school or completed a state- or district-approved education program upon receipt of formal recognition from school authorities.
  - 3. A state or district approved program is one that leads to receipt of formal recognition from school authorities. It may include special education programs, home-based instruction, and school-sponsored secondary (but *NOT* adult) programs leading to a GED or some other certification differing from the regular diploma" (NCES, 1993).
- elementary school category—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-8 range, which excludes grades in the 9-12 range, and which does not fit the definition for middle/junior high.
- faculty—school-based instructional personnel. In addition to full-time classroom teachers, these individuals include principals, assistant principals, guidance counselors, librarians, and other instructional staff (provided they teach at least one course).

- first-time college freshman—a student who graduates from high school during a given school year and who is enrolled full time in a Louisiana higher education institution the following fall semester. A student must begin the fall semester with fewer than 12 hours credit previously attempted (not including advanced placement credits and correspondence study) to be considered a first-time freshman.
- graduate—a student who successfully completes a SBESE-approved education program, passes the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), and thus earns a State-approved diploma. Students who earn GEDs are not included.
- high school category—any school whose grade structure falls within the 6-12 range and which includes grades in the 10-12 range, or any school that contains only grade 9.
- *in-school expulsion*—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a period of time specified by the LEA; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- in-school suspension—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a minimum of one complete school day; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- *middle/junior high category*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 4-9 range, which includes grades 7 or 8, and which excludes grades in the K-3 and 10-12 ranges.
- norm-referenced test (NRT)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in comparison with other individuals/schools; NRT results (as reported by *Progress Profiles*) show how Louisiana schools perform when compared with the district, state, and nation.
- October 1 membership—total number of students enrolled in a school on October 1, which is operationally defined by the NCES as the first day of the academic school year.

- *out-of-school expulsion*—removal (exit) of a student from school for a determined number of days with no provision of instructional services.
- out-of-school suspension—a student temporarily prohibited from participation in his/her usual placement within school, with no provision of instructional service; only suspensions resulting in removal for at least one full day are included.
- percent of student attendance—the ratio of aggregate days student attendance to aggregate days membership.
- percentile rank of average standard scores for national student norms—percentile rank of the average student in the school, district, or state. For example, a percentile rank of 48 for a school means that 48 percent of the students in the norm group scored at or below the average score obtained by the students in the school.
- remedial course—a course designed by a university to prepare students to succeed academically in college-level courses. Remedial/developmental courses may be offered for college credit (i.e., they are taken into consideration in determining whether students are part-time or full-time) but do not carry degree credit.